

REMARKSStatus of claims

Claims 1 and 4-19 remain in this application. Claims 1, 4-5, and 7-10 have been amended and Claim(s) 2-3 has (have) been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Office Action dated June 15, 2005 states that claims 3-6, 10 and 11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent from including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, and that claims 12-19 are allowed. In order to expedite allowance of the present application, claim 1 has been amended to contain the substance of the limitations of claim 3 and intervening claim 2; claim 10 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 1 and intervening claim 2; and claims 2 and 3 have been canceled without prejudice. The amendment of claims 1 and 10 and cancellation of claims 2-3 is in no way an admission by the Applicant as to the validity of the rejection presented in the Office Action. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to further prosecute the claims as originally presented, at the Applicant's discretion. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue.

If the case is found by the Examiner not to be in condition for allowance, then the Applicant hereby requests a telephone or personal interview to facilitate the resolution of any remaining matters. Applicant's attorney may be contact by telephone at the number indicated below to schedule such an interview.

The Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any additional fees due for this submission, or to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-1935.

Respectfully submitted,

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